

REPORT

OF THE VARIOUS

BOARDS OF TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MENDON, .

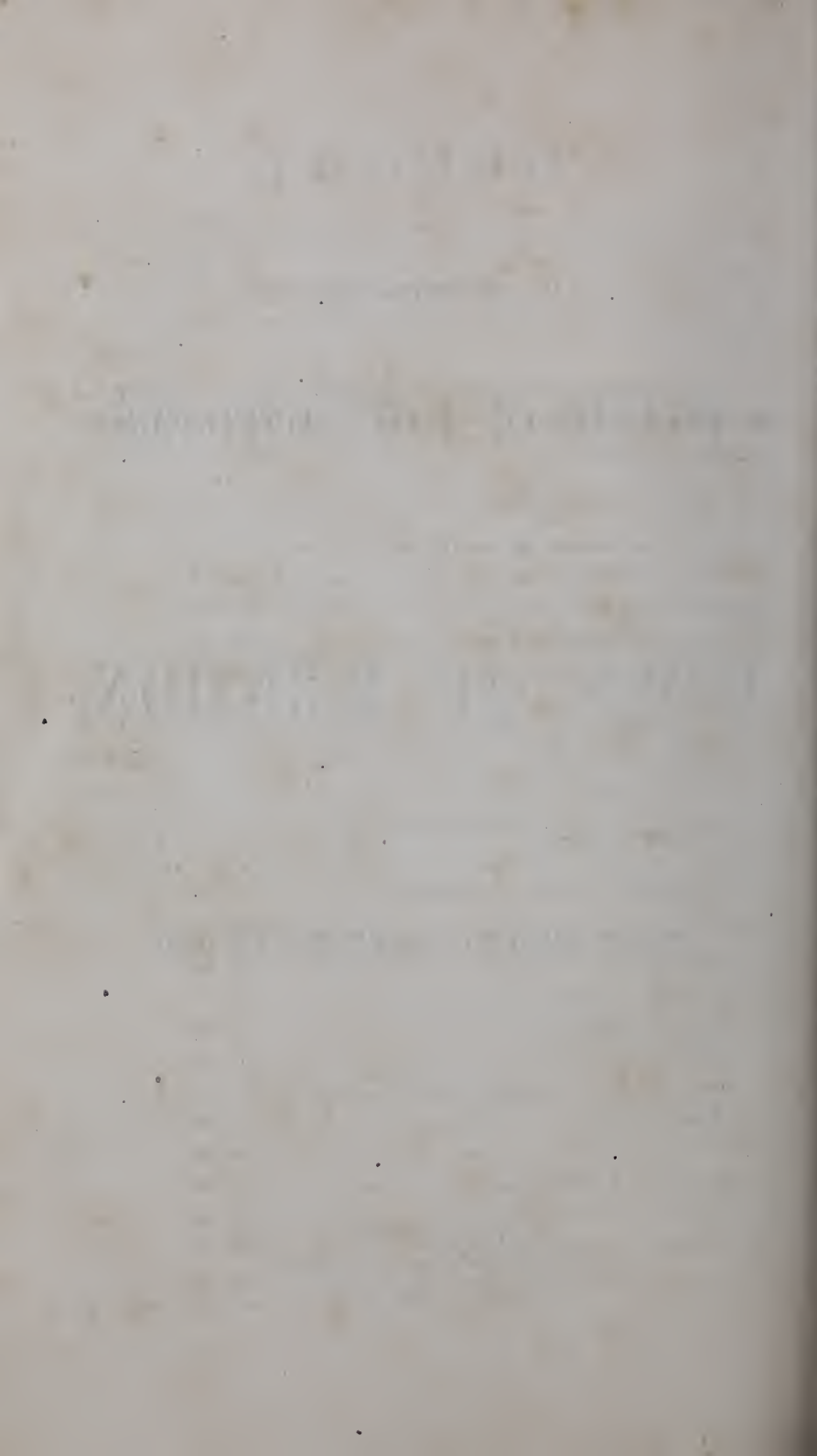
FOR THE MUNICIPAL

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 1880.

MILFORD, MASS.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

The undersigned respectfully submits, for the consideration of the town, the report of his doings for the municipal year now brought to a close.

The Treasurer *debts* himself as follows, viz :

1. To the amount of the surplus revenue, viz :		
11 U. S. Bonds at 4 per cent.....	\$1100 00	
Deposite in Milford Savings Bank.....	767 84	
Edward Everett Cook's note.....	103 76	
David Adams' note.....	146 59	
	<hr/>	\$2118 19
2. To amount due from Collector, 1877,		140 77
" " " 1878,		1381 13
3. Cash in hand at last settlement.....		79 25
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Amount assets " 		\$3719 34
4. To amount borrowed on notes, viz :		
Of N. R. George.....	\$1500 00	
Wm. H. Aldrich.....	100 00	
Wm. H. Aldrich.....	300 00	
John G. Metcalf.....	130 92	
Rachel S. Wheelock.....	170 00	
Mary D. Bartlett.....	600 00	
Austin Wood.....	250 00	
Julius A. George.....	500 00	
Benjamin F. Aldrich.....	100 00	
Ellen Quigley.....	175 00	
Plummer Adams, on 4 months.....	500 00	
Sarah Wheelock.....	68 72	
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5. To amount borrowed on Bonds, viz :

Of Sarah Metcalf.....	\$ 300 00	
Frank L. Metcalf.....	2000 00	
	<hr/>	2300 00

6. To amount charged to Collector as interest, viz :

On taxes for 1877, collected, interest.....	\$ 26 99	
“ 1878, “ “	11 17	
“ 1877, “ “	1 13	
“ 1878, “ “	2 85	
“ 1877, “ “	16 37	
“ 1877, “ “	2 45	
“ 1878, “ “	1 42	
“ 1878, “ “	13 49	
“ 1877, “ “	5 98	
“ 1878, “ “	36 34	
“ 1877, “ “	5 78	
“ 1878, “ “	45 59	
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7. To amount of interest on bonds and notes, viz :

Of U. S. Bonds.....	\$48 00	
E. E. Cook.....	10 70	
David Adams.....	8 80	
Milford Savings Bank.....	46 34	
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8. To assessment of taxes, 1879..... \$7406 87

“ “ on women... 9 66

7416 53

9. To cash received from other sources, viz :

Of C. Endicott, State Treas., balance cor- poration tax, 1878.....	\$ 11 27
Dwight Russell, rent of Mendon Pond..	50 00
Exchange U. S. Bonds.....	2 50
C. Endicott, State Treas., div. of cor- poration tax.....	148 64

Of C. Endicott, State Treas., div. of National Bank tax.....	452 49	
C. Endicott, State Treas., div. of State aid.....	264 00	
C. Endicott, State Treas., for aid indigent soldiers.....	187 79	
E. A. Brown, County Treas., div. dog fund.....	91 97	
C. Endicott, State Treas., div. school fund.....	221 49	
G. B. Williams, balance of appropriation for repair of school houses.....	32 70	
E. E. Cook, for his note (S. Revenue).	103 76	
	<hr/>	1566 61
Total debit.....		<hr/> \$19,680 52

The Treasurer *credits* himself as follows :

1. By cash paid for redemption of notes, viz :

For N. R. George's note.....	\$1500 00	
John G. Metcalf's "	130 92	
Mary D. Bartlett's "	600 00	
Adaline Thompson's note.....	20 00	
P., A. W. and Plummer Adams' note.	1000 00	
Wm. H. Aldrich's note.....	100 00	
Wm. H. Aldrich's "	300 00	
Wm. H. Aldrich's "	100 00	
Sarah Wheelock's "	100 00	
Ladies' Circle, "	90 00	
Julius A. George, "	500 00	
Rachael S. Wheelock's note.....	170 00	
Ellen Quigley's note.....	175 00	
	<hr/>	\$4785 92

2. By case paid for redemption of bonds, viz :

To Sarah Metcalf, for bond No. 76.....	\$ 300 00	•
Marcus M. Aldrich, “ 85.....	500 00	
Frank L. Metcalf, “ 79.....	2000 00	
Plummer Adams, “ 80.....	766 00	
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		3566 00

3. By cash paid interest on notes and bonds, viz :

To N. R. George, note June 1, 1876....	\$ 53 54	
J. G. Metcalf, “ April 9, 1879....	44	
Mary B. Payson, “ “ 10, 1877....	18 71	
Good Templars, “ July 15, 1877....	3 50	
Sarah Metcalf, coupon No. 76.....	15 00	
John S. Gaskill, “ 77.....	50 00	
Silas Dudley, jr., “ 84.....	15 00	
Ellen Quigley, “ 75.....	25 00	
Marcus M. Aldrich, “ 85.....	25 00	
Delilah O. Aldrich, “ 87.....	25 00	
John G. Metcalf, note May 8, 1878....	10 00	
Julius A. George, coupon No. 86.....	100 00	
Adaline Thompson, note, April 2, 1877.	2 67	
Austin Wood, coupon No. 83.....	35 00	
Z. G. Wood, “ 88.....	25 00	
D. W. Bennett, “ 89.....	5 00	
M. M. Aldrich, “ 85.	12 50	
Mary D. Bartlett, note May 23, 1879..	11 76	
Ladies' Circle, note March 28, 1877....	4 50	
Adaline Thompson, coupon No. 93.....	5 00	
Frank L. Metcalf, “ 79.....	100 00	
Sarah Moffett, “ 90.....	15 00	
Plummer Adams, “ 80.....	53 62	
Perry Adams, “ 82.....	53 62	
P., A. W. & Plummer Adams, interest on note, Feb. 11, 1878.....	50 00	
John G. Metcalf, interest on note, May 3, 1876.....	15 00	

To Almira C. Thompson, coupon No. 92...	30 00	
Almira C. Thompson, interest on note, April 16, 1867.....	3 50	
A. W. Adams, coupon No. 81.....	53 62	
W. H. Aldrich, note June 29, 1878...	24 74	
W. H. Aldrich, " Mar. 17, 1879...	10 93	
W. H. Aldrich, " April 1, 1879...	3 48	
Sarah Wheelock, " June 1, 1878...	7 43	
Ladies' Circle, " " 1, 1876...	2 95	
Julius A. George, " " 9, 1879...	17 35	
N. R. George, " Feb. 17, 1879...	67 50	
Rachel S. Wheelock, note April 30, 1879	5 44	
Ellen Quigley, note, June 2, 1879.....	6 11	
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4. By cash paid Notes in part, viz :

Good Templars on note July 15, 1877.....	10 00
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5. By cash paid Abatements, viz :

To Stephen Cook by collector, per cert.	13 14	
Austin D. Davenport, " "	5 62	
Collector per cert.	49 21	
do. " "	85 65	
do. " "	50 91	
do. " "	4 72	
	<hr/>	209 25

6. By cash paid State Tax.....	\$185 00	
" " County Tax.....	603 43	
" charge on 2 checks P. Adams.	50	
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7. By cash deposited in Milford Savings Bank, being the principal of E. E. Cook's note.....	103 76
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8. By paying 155 town orders.....	\$5,525 34
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By amount of surplus revenue.....	2118 19
“ “ deposited in Milford Nat. Bank.....	453 23
“ “ do in Home Nat. Bank.....	24 33
“ “ due from Collector.....	723 87
“ “ cash in hand to balance.....	408 79
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Amount of credits.....	\$19,680 52

BONDS OUTSTANDING MARCH 1, 1880.

Ann Quigley, No. 75, due June 1, 1881.....	\$ 500 00
Sarah Metcalf, “ 94, “ “ 1885.....	300 00
John S. Gaskill, “ 77, “ “ “	1000 00
Albert W. Adams, “ 81, “ “ 1880.....	766 00
Perry Adams, “ 82, “ “ “	766 00
Austin Wood, “ 83, “ “ 1881.....	700 00
Silas Dudley, jr., “ 84, “ “ “	300 00
Julius A. George, “ 86, “ “ 5, 1881.....	2000 00
Deilah O. Aldrich “ 87, “ “ “ 1882.....	500 00
Z. G. Wood, “ 88, “ “ 10, “	500 00
D. W. Bennett, “ 89, “ July 1, 1881.....	100 00
Sarah Moffett, “ 90, “ June 1, 1883.....	300 00
Lovina Forbush, “ 91, “ Oct. 1, “	1000 00
A. C. Thompson, “ 92, “ Feb. 8, “	600 00
A. Thompson, “ 93, “ “ “ “	100 00
F. L. Metcalf, “ 95, “ Jan. 18, 1882.....	2000 00
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	\$11,432 00

NOTES OUTSTANDING MARCH 1, 1880.

Mary B. Payson.....	\$ 374 31
Almira C. Thompson.....	70 00
N. R. George.....	1500 00

J. G. Metcalf.....	200 00
J. G. Metcalf.....	300 00
A. B. Lodge, I. O. G. T..... (balance)	60 00
Young Ladies' Circle..... “	51 88
Austin Wood.....	250 00
B. F. Aldrich.....	100 00
Sarah Wheelock.....	68 72
Plummer Adams.....	500 00
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	\$3,474 91

Amount of Bonds outstanding..... \$11,432 00

“ “ Notes “ 3474 91

\$14,906 91

As will be seen by comparison of the statement of last year, the bonded debt has been diminished by the sum of \$1266.00, and the amount of notes outstanding by the sum of \$401.28, thus reducing the indebtedness for money borrowed \$1667.28.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN G. METCALF, Treasurer.

Mendon, Feb. 20, 1880.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen submit the following report of the expenditures of the town for the municipal year ending February 29, 1880 :

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Gilbert Gaskill, repairing Town Hall foundations.....	\$ 7 00
Charles H. Allen, locks for safe drawers.....	3 04
Gilbert Gaskill, wall around lock-up.....	6 75
H. N. Hastings, sawing wood for Record Room.....	1 25
Bacon, Hopkins & Bacon, advice to Selectmen.....	6 00
A. W. Gaskill, wood for Record Room.....	2 50
A. W. Judson, care of lock-up.....	5 00
“ returning 17 deaths.....	4 25
“ registering scholars for No. 2.....	1 50
F. F. Taft, gravel purchased.....	2 00
D. Adams, express paid.....	2 70
“ school books furnished and returned to the Assessors.....	15 65
D. Adams, election duties at Milford, etc.....	1 89
“ storing fire extinguisher.....	12 00
“ making records and expenses about the same.....	20 03
H. C. Adams, stationery and use of team for Selectmen	1 20
G. B. Williams, legal advice to Selectmen.....	2 50
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	\$95 26

PRINTING.

George W. Stacy, collector's bills and notices.....	\$ 4 25
Cook & Sons, posters.....	1 50
“ reports of town officers.....	55 00
“ posters, 2 bills.....	3 00
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	\$63 75

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES AND SCHOOL
SUPPLIES.

G. B. Williams, bill for repairs and refurnishing Cen- ter school rooms, No. 2....	\$ 373 35
(\$32.70 of this discounted and returned into Treasury.)	
George W. Stacy, supplies for No. 2 schools.....	4 62
Eldridge & Beatty, A. G. Chilson, &c., painting, etc., for No. 1 school house.....	46 17
Samuel H. Taft, etc., painting and repairs for No. 6...	37 37
H. G. Bates, stove and sundries for No. 4.....	12 68
E. P. Gaskill, repairs of No. 5.....	3 55
Henry A. Aldrich, supplies for the schools.....	7 86
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	\$485 60

TOWN OFFICERS FOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Mrs. Bernette H. Williams, salary as Superintendent of Schools	\$ 75 00
M. C. Gaskill, assessing taxes, 1879.....	42 50
A. H. Allen, “ “	45 00
James J. Nutter, “ “	34 90
A. H. Allen, services and expenses as Selectman eight months.....	17 85
A. W. Judson, services as Constable for 1879-80.....	15 00
“ “ Collector of Taxes, 1877...	68 00
“ “ “ 1878...	69 50

J. G. Metcalf, services as Treasurer, 1879-80.....	25 00
G. B. Williams, " Selectman and cash paid....	19 42
A. W. Gaskill, " " "	18 06
H. C. Adams, " " "	10 00
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	\$440 23

STATE AID PAID PENSIONERS, ACT OF 1879.

Silas H. Williams.....	42 00
John Curly.....	28 00
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	\$70 00

STATE AID PAID PENSIONERS UNDER ACTS
BEFORE 1879.

Daniel O'Keefe.....	\$ 12 00
Silas H. Williams.....	18 00
John Curly.....	21 00
Levi L. Smith.....	4 50
Daniel D. Davenport.....	4 50
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	\$60 00

STATE AID PAID FOR INDIGENT SOLDERS, NOT PEN-
SIONERS, UNDER ACT OF 1879.

James Wilson.....	\$ 102 33
Michael Grady.....	45 66
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	\$147 99

FOR SUPPORT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

No. 1.

Flora Freeman, for teaching, 3 bills.....	\$188 00
Edward H. Taft, fuel and fitting.....	19 50
William W. Nelson, fuel and fitting.....	3 00
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	\$210 50

No. 2. Primary and Grammar.

Edward Dixon, for teaching, 4 bills.....	\$ 224 00
Cora E. Gaskill, " 3 "	196 00
Albert W. Gaskill, wood.....	23 75
Jonathan Pickering, sawing wood, 2 bills.....	8 25
A. W. Judson, care of fires.....	6 00
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	\$458 00

No. 3.

Mary A. Esty, for teaching, 3 bills.....	\$ 140 00
Lowell C. Cook, fuel and fitting.....	5 35
Mary A. Esty, care of fires.....	1 50
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	\$146 85

No. 4.

Nellie H. Green, for teaching, 3 bills.....	\$ 210 00
H. G. Bates, fuel, fitting and cleaning room.....	12 50
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	\$222 50

No. 5.

Ada C. Taft, for teaching, 3 bills.....	\$ 140 00
E. P. Gaskill, cleaning room.....	50
E. P. Gaskill, fuel and fitting.....	6 50
E. P. Gaskill, care of fires.....	2 00
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	\$149 00

No. 6.

Mrs. Hattie E. Freeman, for teaching, 2 bills.....	108 00
William J. Taft, for teaching, 1 bill.....	70 00
Christopher Daniels, wood.....	6 74
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	\$184 74

HIGH SCHOOL.

Walter M. Wheelock, for teaching.....	\$ 165 00
School Committee, to pay estimated balance of salary.	165 00
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	\$330 00

FUEL FOR TOWN HALL AND HIGH SCHOOL.

E. A. & L. A. Cook for coal, 2 bills.....	\$28 50
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ROADS AND BRIDGES.

OLD BILLS.

John R. Hayward, commissioners balance.....	\$12 80
Eli Bates, “ “	130 92
Albert W. Gaskill, “ “	243 88
N. A. Inman, bill for 1876.....	12 00
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	\$399 60

CLEARING ROADS OF SNOW.

A. W. Gaskill.....	\$ 12 69
J. R. Hayward.....	2 88
H. G. Bates.....	2 59
E. P. Gaskill.....	2 72
Samuel H. Taft.....	1 50
Luther E. Taft.....	4 25
Gilbert Gaskill.....	1 85
Francis F. Taft.....	2 13
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	\$30 61

BRIDGE REPAIRS THE CURRENT YEAR.

A. W. Gaskill, repairs on bridge and road near Whit- ing's mill.....	\$ 30 95
A. W. Gaskill, repairs on bridges near Wilcox's mill and Swan's mill.....	4 37
Chas. B. Williams, drawing plank to bridge near Whit- ing's mill.....	2 50

T. W. Aldrich for stringers for bridge near Whiting's mill.....	10 50
Alanson Taft for plank.....	18 06
A. W. Gaskill for spikes.....	3 80
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	\$70 18

SURVEYORS' EXPENDITURES CURRENT YEAR.

District No. 1. Edward H. Taft, 2 bills.....	\$60 00
“ 2. George W. Cromb, jr., 2 bills.....	75 00
“ 3. Francis F. Taft, 1 bill.....	60 00
“ 4. H. P. Butler, 2 bills.....	73 34
“ 5. Davis Hill, 1 bill.....	75 00
“ 6. E. P. Gaskill, 2 bills.....	75 00
“ 7. Luther E. Taft, 1 bill.....	80 00
“ 8. H. G. Bates, 2 bills.....	75 00
“ 9. Samuel H. Taft, 1 bill.....	60 37
“ 10. Leslie M. Carpenter, 2 bills.....	70 00
“ 11. Erastus Hill, 2 bills.....	59 44
“ 12. A. W. Gaskill, 1 bill.....	53 29
“ 13. Gilbert Gaskill, 2 bills.....	70 59
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	\$887 03

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid Overseers of Poor by six town orders drawn at different times in their favor.....	\$1045 00
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES.

Incidentals	\$ 95 26
Printing	63 75
Repairs of school houses and supplies.....	485 60
Town Officers.....	440 23
State aid to pensioners, act of 1879.....	70 00
“ “ former acts	60 00
State aid for other soldiers.....	147 99
Support of schools.....	1701 59

Fuel for Town Hall, etc.....	28 50
Roads and Bridges.....	1387 42
Support of Poor.....	1045 00
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	\$5525 34

The Selectmen also report that the liabilities of the town known to them, are as follows, viz :

Due Town Officers, by estimation.....	\$ 108 00
Amount of town bonds outstanding.....	11,432 00
Amount of town notes outstanding.....	3474 91
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	\$15,014 91

The available assets so far as known are as follows :

Taxes uncollected.....	\$ 723 87	
Cash in hands of Treasurer and on deposit.	886 35	
Due from State for State Aid disbursed under acts prior to 1879, to March 1, 1880.....	60 00	
Due from State for State Aid disbursed pensioners, under act of 1879, to March 1, 1880.....	70 00	
Due from State for State Aid disbursed under Chapter 252, acts of 1879, to March 1, 1880	74 00	
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		\$13,200 69

Respectfully submitted,

GUSTAVUS B. WILLIAMS,	} Selectmen of Mendon.
ALBERT W. GASKILL,	
HORACE C. ADAMS,	

Mendon, Feb. 21, 1880.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor of the town of Mendon for the municipal year ending March 1st, 1880, submit the following report:

At the commencement of the year, Elijah Penniman, Freeman Miles, Nathan Streeter, Lawrence Wilber, Edner Allen, and Richard P. Madden, were receiving a full support at Davis Hill's; James W. Wilson was receiving support at Mrs. Freeman's; Michael Grady was receiving support at Peter Ford's in Milford; Ellen Ballou was receiving support at Taunton Lunatic Hospital; Charles H. Allen was supported at James M. Staples'; Ezra W. Allen was partially supported at the School for Idiotic and Feeble Minded Youth, and the family of Daniel Cunningham, consisting of himself, wife and four children, were receiving partial support at their home in Milford.

March 10th, 1879. Mrs. Luania Smith, widow of Edward Smith, applied to this Board for aid, which was granted, and the town of Needham, her place of settlement, notified.

March 13th, 1879. The Overseers met at the Record Rooms in accordance with a notice previously given, to receive proposals and contract with some suitable person to board and take care of the poor of the town for one year, commencing the first day of April next; and agreed with Barton F. Cook, to provide for and take care of all paupers who may require a full support at any time during the year, for \$1.75 per week for each pauper. And agreed with James M. Staples to board Charles H. Allen for \$1 per week, and the town should pay for all necessary clothing.

April 1st, 1879. Lawrence Wilber ceased to be chargeable for the present.

April 2d, 1879. Barton F. Cook having left town, a contract was made with Michael Broughey to board and take care of all paupers who may require a full support any time during the year for \$1.85 per week for each person, and the poor were this day moved to his house by the Overseers.

April 5th, 1879. Stephen H. Scisco being sick and unable to provide for himself, made application to this Board for assistance, which was granted, and he promised to reimburse the Town when he should again be able to labor.

May 8th, 1879. Delia Harrington applied for aid, and was carried, with her child, to Mr. Broughey's, to be there supported.

About the first of June, Mrs. Allen left town to visit her relatives, and ceased to be chargeable.

June 2d, 1879, Delia Harrington left Mr. Broughey's, and ceased to be chargeable.

August 1st, 1879. James W. Wilson and Michael Grady ceased to be provided for by this Board, and were provided for by the Selectmen under Chapter 252 of the Acts of 1879.

Sept. 4th, 1879. Richard Patrick Madden was sent to the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Nov. 7th, 1879. Henry Moore applied for aid; his family consists of himself, his wife and five children. Aid was granted.

Same date, the family of John O'Sullivan, consisting of himself, his wife and seven children, became chargeable, and the city of Fall River duly notified. Their settlement has since been acknowledged to be in Milford by the Overseers of that town.

Dec. 1st, 1879. George P. Tucker applied for aid, for himself, his wife and four children. Aid was granted.

Dec. 2d, 1879. Daniel Cunningham applied for aid for himself, his wife and four children. Aid was furnished, and is continued to the present time.

Dec. 4th, 1879. Mrs. Carberry applied for aid for herself and three children, which was granted, and the town of Hopkinton, the place of their supposed legal settlement, was duly notified, and their settlement has been conceded by the Overseers of that town.

Jan. 5th, 1880. Nathan Streeter was removed from Milford to Mr. Broughey's, having left there Nov. 13, 1879, to go on a visit to his relatives in Taunton.

The Overseers charge themselves with the receipt of the following named funds belonging to the town :

To balance from account of last year.....	\$17 43	
Received on six town orders drawn at different times.....	1045 00	
Received of Davis Hill for one chest....	1 00	
Received for goods sold at auction.....	13 63	
Received of town of Southboro for aid to Caleb V. A. Smith.....	5 00	
Received of town of Needham for aid to Mrs. Luania Smith.....	4 00	
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The Overseers credit themselves with the payment of the following sums :

Paid Davis Hill for boarding Elijah Penniman 13 weeks at \$2.50 per week.....	\$32 50	
Paid Michael Broughey for boarding Elijah Penniman 39 1-7 weeks at \$1.85 per week for clothing and fixing shoes for Elijah Penniman	72 41	
	7 10	
	<hr/>	\$112 01
Paid Davis Hill for boarding Freeman Miles 13 weeks at \$2.50 per week.....	\$32 50	
Michael Broughey for boarding Freeman Miles 39 1-7 weeks at \$1.85 per week..	72 42	
Dr. Metcalf medical attendance to Freeman Miles	1 25	
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Paid Davis Hill for boarding Nathan Streeter		
13 weeks at \$2.50 per week.....	\$32 50	
Michael Broughey for boarding Nathan		
Streeter 30 1-7 weeks at \$1.85 per week	55 75	
for clothing for Nathan Streeter.....	4 78	
cash to Nathan Streeter to go on a visit to		
his relatives.....	5 00	
E. P. Gaskill for moving Nathan Streeter		
from Milford to Mr. Broughey's.....	1 00	
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Paid Davis Hill for boarding Edner Allen 13		
weeks at \$2.50 per week.....	\$32 50	
Michael Broughey for boarding Edner Al-		
len 8 3-7 weeks at \$1.85 per week....	15 59	
For clothing for Edner Allen and carry-		
ing her trunk to Milford.....	4 04	
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Paid Davis Hill for boarding Lawrence Wilber		
13 weeks at \$2.50 per week.....	\$32 50	
for shoes and clothing for Lawrence Wil-		
ber.....	10 45	
	<hr/>	42 95
Paid Davis Hill for boarding Richard P. Mad-		
den 9 4-7 weeks at \$2.50 per week....	\$23 93	
Michael Broughey for boarding Richard P.		
Madden 20 1-7 weeks at \$1.85 per week	37 26	
Dr. Metcalf for medical attendance to		
Richard P. Madden.....	1 00	
Richard P. Madden's fare to Tewksbury..	1 30	
	<hr/>	63 49
Paid Michael Broughey for boarding Delia		
Harrington 3 4-7 weeks at \$1.85 per		
week.....	\$6 61	
Dr. Metcalf for medical attendance to De-		
lia Harrington.....	2 75	
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Paid Dolley J. Haley for support of Daniel Harrington		12 00
Paid Mrs. Freeman for boarding James W. Wilson 4 weeks at \$2 25 per week.....	\$9 00	
Mrs. Freeman for boarding James W. Wilson 17 3-4 weeks at \$1.85 per week....	32 25	
Dr. Metcalf for medical attendance to James W. Wilson.....	1 50	
for medicine for James W. Wilson.....	4 95	
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Paid Peter Ford for board and care of Michael Grady 24 3-7 weeks at \$1.50 per week		36 64
Paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital for support of Ellen Ballou, four bills.....		166 15
Paid James M. Staples for boarding Charles H. Allen 4 weeks at \$1.50 per week...	\$6 00	
James M. Staples for boarding Charles H. Allen 39 2-7 weeks at \$1 per week	39 28	
for clothing for Charles H. Allen.....	16 33	
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Paid School for Idiotic and Feeble Minded Youth for clothing for Ezra W. Allen..		42 88
Paid Henry L. Patrick for goods delivered to Daniel Cunningham, two bills.....	\$19 99	
Patrick Lynch for goods delivered to Dan'l Cunningham, two bills.....	20 00	
Lewis Wood for 8 feet 8 inches hard wood delivered to Daniel Cunningham.....	6 50	
Samuel Gaskill 8 feet hard wood delivered to Daniel Cunningham.....	5 66	
E. A. & L. A. Cook for $\frac{1}{2}$ cord of hard wood delivered to Daniel Cunningham	3 00	
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Paid Henry L. Patrick for goods delivered to Mrs. Luania Smith.....		4 00
Paid Liberty Freeman for goods and cash fur- nished Stephen H. Scisco.....	\$3 95	
Lewis Wood for wood delivered to Steph- en H. Scisco.....	2 50	
	<hr/>	6 45
Paid S. Jones for goods furnished Henry Moore	7 62	
Lewis Wood for one cord of hard wood delivered to Henry Moore.....	5 00	
	<hr/>	12 62
Paid S. Jones for goods furnished John O'Sul- livan, 2 bills.....	\$29 29	
Anna W. Hastings for rent for John O'Sullivan.....	3 00	
Davis Hill for wood furnished John O'Sul- livan.....	2 50	
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Paid S. Jones for goods furnished George P. * Tucker.....	\$10 00	
Lewis Wood for wood furnished Geo. P. Tucker.....	2 50	
Stephen Cook for rent for Geo. P. Tucker	3 33	
	<hr/>	15 83
Paid David Sherrin for support of Mrs. Car- berry and her children.....		26 55
Paid A. W. Judson for care of and furnishing tramps.....	\$22 25	
A. W. Judson for furnishing tramps to date	8 25	
Gilbert Gaskill for straw for bunks at lockup	75	
	<hr/>	31 25

Paid Henry A. Aldrich for two C. C. Chambers for use of paupers.....	\$1 00	
Gilbert Gaskill for straw to fill paupers' beds.....	75	
Gilbert Gaskill for moving goods from Mr. Hill's to Mr. Broughey's.....	1 50	
E. P. Gaskill for moving paupers and helping move goods.....	2 00	
Dr. Metcalf for medical attendance to paupers last year, and omitted at settlement of Feb. 19, 1879.....	2 00	
A. Hixon for selling goods.....	1 35	
E. P. Gaskill for services as Overseer for the municipal year ending March 1st, 1880.....	25 00	
For postage on forty-one letters.....	1 23	
For stationery.....	77	
Gilbert Gaskill for services as Overseer of the Poor for the municipal year ending March 1, 1880.....	6 00	
Liberty Freeman for services as Overseer of the Poor for the municipal year ending March 1, 1880.....	6 00	
	<hr/>	47 60
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		\$1086 36

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

Received from account of last year.....	\$ 17 43	
on town orders.....	1045 00	
of Davis Hill.....	1 00	
for goods sold.....	13 63	
of town of Southboro	5 00	
“ Needham.....	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$1086 06

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS.

Paid for support of

Elijah Penniman	\$ 112 01	
Freeman Miles	106 17	
Nathan Streeter	99 03	
Edner Allen	52 13	
Lawrence Wilber	42 95	
Richard P. Madden	63 49	
Delia Harrington	9 36	
Daniel Harrington	12 00	
James W. Wilson	47 70	
Michael Grady	36 64	
Ellen Ballou	166 15	
Charles H. Allen	61 61	
Ezra W. Allen	42 88.	
Daniel Cunningham	55 15	
Mrs. Luania Smith	4 00	
Stephen H. Scisco	6 45	
Henry Moore	12 62	
John O'Sullivan	34 79	
George P. Tucker	15 83	
Mrs. Carberry and children	26 55	
Tramps	31 25	
Paid H. A. Aldrich	1 00	
Dr. Metcalf	2 00	
A. Hixon	1 35	
For moving paupers and goods	3 50	
" straw	75	
" postage and stationery	2 00	
" Overseers' services	37 00	
	<hr/>	\$1086 36
Leaving a balance due Overseers of		30
From the whole amount paid for support of poor		\$1086 36

DEDUCT

What was due Davis Hill, for support of paupers to March 3d, 1879.....	\$ 118 79	
What was due A. W. Judson, for care of tramps	18 00	
What was due Taunton Lunatic Hospital, for support of Ellen Ballou.....	30 50	
What is due from the town of Milford for support of John O'Sullivan.....	34 79	
What is due from Hopkinton for support of Mrs. Carberry and her children.....	26 55	
Paid for medical attendance of paupers last year	2 00	
Paid for support of Mrs. Luania Smith....	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$234 63
		<hr/>
		\$851 73

ADD

What is due Michael Broughey, by estima- tion, for support of paupers to March 1st, 1880.....	\$ 47 57	
What is due A. W. Judson, by estimation, for care of tramps to March 1st, 1880	18 00	
What is due Taunton Lunatic Hospital, for support of Ellen Ballou, to March 1st, 1880.....	25 71	
What is due James M. Staples, for support of Charles H. Allen, to March 1st, 1880.....	9 00	
The amount of two bills presented by the town of Milford, one of \$6.86 for sup- port of Nathan Streeter, another of \$5.40 for aid to Henry H. Howard..	12 26	
	<hr/>	112 54
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And its makes the cost of supporting the poor for the year ending March 1st, 1880.....	\$964 27
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All of which is respectfully submitted.

EZEKIEL P. GASKILL, GILBERT GASKILL, LIBERTY FREEMAN,	}	Overseers of the Poor.
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AUDITORS' REPORT.

The undersigned, elected at the annual town meeting held in Mendon, March 3d, 1879, a Board to audit the accounts of the officers of said town for the current year, respectfully submit the following report :

They have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, of said town, and find the same accurately kept, and satisfactorily vouched for. The vouchers for partial payments, and for payments of interest, on the outstanding notes of the town, being the endorsements of such payments on the several notes, and the notes being in the hands of the holder thereof, your board were of course unable to positively verify such payments, but do not doubt but what they have actually been made.

They also offer the following recommendations :

1. They find that parties other than the payees of town orders are in the habit of receipting for such orders, without the written authority of the payee. We recommend that this practice cease, and that no town order be delivered except upon the receipt of the payee, or of a party having such payee's written order for the same, or the receipted bill of said payee for like amount. And that no town order be given out for any bill or part of a bill not due at that time.

2d. That the Selectmen's days for drawing orders should be Treasurer's pay days. That the Treasurer should pay all demands by checks, so far as possible, and that all but a small amount of the funds in his hands should be deposited in some National Bank.

3d. That the U. S. Bonds belonging to the town should be registered or deposited in Safe Deposit vaults.

4th. That the Treasurer be required to hereafter keep an itemized note and bond account, which shall show on the one hand the outstanding indebtedness of the town at the commencement of the municipal year, and the notes and bonds, given during the year, and on the other hand, those paid during the year and those outstanding at its close.

5th. That hereafter whenever the Treasurer is authorized to borrow money in the name of the town, that a limit be fixed to the amount he is to so borrow, and that all notes or bonds given by him must be approved by a majority of the board of Selectmen then in office in said town, and certified by them, in writing, upon the face of said notes or bonds, to come within the limit named in the vote; and the Selectmen shall keep a full account of all notes or bonds so approved and certified by them.

6th. That hereafter the Treasurer shall, whenever he makes a partial payment, or a payment of interest, on an outstanding note of the town, be required to take the receipt of the holder of the note for such payment, in addition to endorsing the same upon the note.

They would also acknowledge the cheerfulness and courtesy with which the above officers have submitted their accounts for examination.

All of which report is respectfully submitted.

JULIUS A. GEORGE,	} Auditors.
PUTNAM W. TAFT,	
WALTER M. WHELOCK,	

Mendon, February 21, 1880.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,
WORCESTER, SS.

At the Superior Court, begun and holden at Worcester, within and for the County of Worcester, on the second Monday of December, being the eighth day of said month, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

By the Honorable

FRANCIS H. DEWEY,
One of the Justices of said Court.

On all days of said term, except the fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and twenty-ninth days of said term, being the twenty-ninth, thirtieth and thirty-first days of December, aforesaid, and the first, second and seventeenth days of January, A. D., 1880, and on said fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and twenty-ninth days of the term aforesaid,

By the Honorable

P. EMORY ALDRICH,
One of the Justices of said Court.

BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF MENDON.

1. If any person shall use obscene language, quarrel or commit any manner of mischief, or otherwise misbehave in a disorderly manner in any street, highway or gangway, or in any building or other public place in said town, to the disturbance or annoyance of the peaceable inhabitants thereof, or any portion of them, or shall aid, assist, encourage or promote the same to be done by any other person or persons, he shall be fined not less than two dollars nor more than twenty dollars.

2. If any person shall, with the alleged object of celebrating the anniversary of our National Independence, or on any occasion of public or party rejoicing, or at any other time when peaceable persons are thereby annoyed or alarmed, fire or discharge any gun, fowling piece or fire arm, or make any bonfire or other needless fire, or shall aid, assist, encourage or promote the same to be done by any other person or persons, in any street or public place within one-half mile from the Post Office in said town, he shall be fined not less than two dollars nor more than twenty dollars.

3. If any person shall tie or fasten any horse, cattle, or team to any of the trees planted in any public highway or street, or any public lands in said town, for shade or ornament, or anything put up for the protection of said trees, he shall forfeit and pay for each offense a sum not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars.

4. If any person shall maliciously, wantonly or carelessly daub with paint, cut, deface, or otherwise injure any public trees, fences, buildings, furniture therein or other objects useful or ornamental, he shall be fined not less than two dollars nor more than ten dollars.

5. If any person shall throw a carcass of any dead animal into any of the ponds, streams or waters within the limits of said town, or if any person shall leave any such carcass or any such animal to decay on the surface of the ground, or insufficiently buried therein, near any building or road, or other highway in said town, he shall pay for every such offense a sum not less than five dollars nor more than ten dollars.

6. If any person shall coast, or run down in, into, across or along any of the streets or highways in said town on any other thing than a single hand sled, or in the night time or on any sidewalk in said town upon the snow or ice, he shall for each offense be fined not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars.

7. If any person shall play at ball, or throw balls or stones, or snow balls, or foot balls, or throw any missiles by hand or other-

wise on or within any portion of any street in said Mendon, opposite the land of an abutter thereon, after such abutter shall have forbidden him so to do, he shall be fined not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Mendon, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, holden on the third day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, and by adjournment on the fifteenth day of the same month, it was voted to adopt the foregoing By-Laws as By-Laws for the town of Mendon.

Voted that the Town Clerk present said by-laws to the Superior Court for approval.

Attest,

DAVID ADAMS,
Town Clerk.

On the thirteenth day of January, 1880, during the present term, the foregoing by-laws are approved by the Court.

Attest,

JOHN A. DANA, Clerk.

A copy of the record.

Attest,

JOHN A. DANA, Clerk.

A true copy.

Attest,

DAVID ADAMS,
Town Clerk.

